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APPARATUS, METHODS AND
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MANUFACTURE**AMENDMENT**Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, Virginia 22313

In response to the Office Action dated April 21, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

1. We enclose the following documents:

- Amendment Transmittal (3 pgs.), in duplicate
- Amendment in Response to Office Action dated April 21, 2004 (9 pgs.)
- Return postcard

STATUS

2. Applicant

claims small entity status.
 is other than a small entity.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING/TRANSMISSION

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is, on the date shown below, being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 on the date indicated below in an envelope addressed to the. Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Date: June 29, 2004


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EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

(a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
(Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

Extension for response within:	Other than small entity Fee	Small entity Fee (if applicable)
first month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
second month	\$ 420.00	\$ 210.00
third month	\$ 950.00	\$ 475.00
fourth month	\$1,480.00	\$ 740.00
fifth month	\$2,010.00	\$ 1,005.00

Fee: _____ \$ _____

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)

— An extension of _____ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$_____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ _____.

OR

(b) Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)	(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	SMALL ENTITY	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	ADDITIONAL RATE FEE	ADDITIONAL RATE FEE
TOTAL	13	MINUS	13	=0	x \$9 = \$ OR x \$18 = \$-0-
INDEP.	4	MINUS	1	=3	x \$43 = \$ OR x \$86 = \$258.00
	<u>FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM</u>			+ \$145 = \$	+ \$290 = \$
				TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$	OR TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$258.00

(a) X No additional fee for Claims is required - \$258.00

OR

(b) _____ Total additional fee for claims required \$

FEE PAYMENT

5. _____ Attached is a check in the sum of \$_____

X Charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384 the sum of \$258.00.
A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

FEE DEFICIENCY

6. X If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No.. 01-2384.

AND/OR

X If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

7. _____ Other:



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